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EPIDEMIOLOGIC NOTES AND REPORTS ASEPTIC MENINGITIS - New Jersey

Between the 27th week (ended July 9) and the 40th week (ended October 8), the New Jersey State Health Department received reports of 128 cases of acute central nervous system disease. Of these, 109 were designated as aseptic meningitis; the remaining 19 had clinical encephalitis. The reported cases of aseptic meningitis represent a definite increase from the 1965 New Jersey experience when only 56 were notified.

The peak incidence occurred in August and early September. Cases were reported from 17 of the 21 counties of the State. Of the 109 cases, 84 occurred in persons less than 25 years of age.

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In general, the illness has been clinically typical aseptic meningitis, with fever, headache, vomiting, neck stiffness, and increased cells (predominantly lymphocytes) in the cerebrospinal fluid. However, in addition, there have been some cases in which a morbilliform eruption has been associated with the above picture.

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CASES OF SPECIFIED NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: UNITED STATES (Cumulative totals include revised and delayed reports through previous weeks)

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DISEASE	OCTOBER 8, 1966	OCTOBER 9, 1965	1961 — 1965	1966	1965	MEDIAN 1961 – 1965			
Aseptic meningitis	90	78	78	2,314	1,609	1,591			
Brucellosis	3	4	8	192	193	320			
Diphtheria	3	3	8	145	116	194			
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Arthropod-borne & unspecified	67	40		1,683	1,425				
Encephalitis, post-infectious	11	9		616	567				
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Meningococcal infections, Total	34	46	38	2,818	2,425	1.871			
Civilian	33	46		2,539	2,243				
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Rubella (German measles)	233			42,370		nemers d			
Streptococcal sore throat & Scarlet fever	6,054	5,907	4,652	326,751	304,519	263,914			
Tetanus	9	6		146	206				
Tularemia	5	5		134	197				
Typhoid fever	13	18	15	297	333	411			
Typhus, tick-borne (Rky. Mt. Spotted fever).	7	7		219	241				
Rabies in Animals	50	53	60	3,230	3,431	2,980			

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Psittacosis: Conn1. Pa2. Wis2	40	Rubella, Congenital Syndrome:	20
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ASEPTIC MENINGITIS - (Continued from front page)

Diagnostic confirmation by virus isolation and/or serologic techniques has been obtained for 19 of the reported 109 cases. These studies implicate a variety of viruses: mumps-8 cases; ECHO 9-5; Coxsackie B-2-2; Coxsackie A-9-2; Coxsackie B-5-1; and ECHO 2-1. Moreover, there were another seven cases reported in which a well substantiated clinical diagnosis of mumps aseptic meningitis had been made. An additional 15 agents have been isolated in tissue culture; however, identification of these has not been completed.

Of the 19 cases of reported encephalitis, serologic studies in two patients implicated Herpes Simplex virus as the etiologic agent, while a clinical diagnosis of mumps encephalitis had been made in a third patient.

(Reported by Dr. William J. Dougherty, Director, Division of Preventable Disease Control Programs, Dr. Martin Goldfield, Director, Division of Laboratories, and Dr. Ronald Altman, Virology Laboratory, all of the New Jersey State Department of Health; and an EIS Officer.)

CURRENT TRENDS MEASLES

During the last 4-week period of the current epidemiologic year,* 1,722 measles cases were reported. This total is 993 cases less than that reported during the comparable 4-week period in 1965 (Figures 1 and 2).

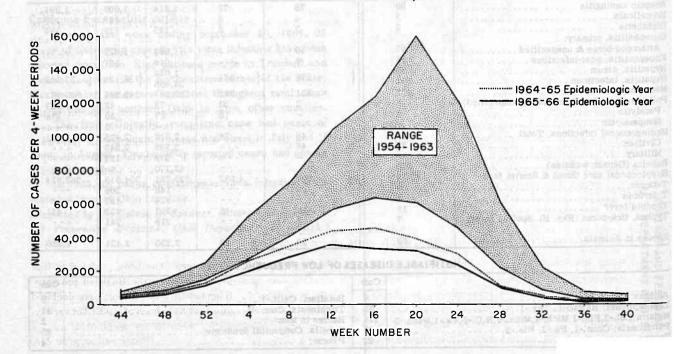
The incidence of measles is at the expected seasonal low in all regions of the country, even though 16 States reported more measles during the current epidemiologic year than during the preceding one. Only 375 cases were reported for the week ending September 24, 1966, the lowest number recorded for any week since the week ending September 16, 1944.

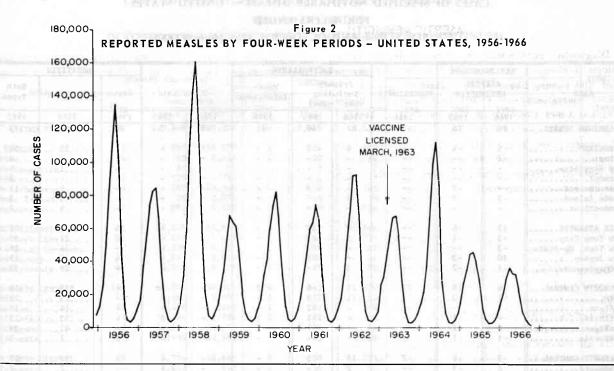
A continuing trend of an apparent increase in measles encephalitis is evident. For the first 40 weeks of 1966, a total of 157 cases of encephalitis has been reported, compared with 96 cases during the comparable period of 1965.

(Reported by the Childhood Viral Diseases Unit, Epidemiology Branch.)

*The epidemiologic year for measles started with week 41 beginning October 10, 1965, and closed with week 40 ending October 8, 1966.

Figure 1
MEASLES CUMULATED BY FOUR-WEEK PERIODS, UNITED STATES
EPIDEMIOLOGIC YEARS, 1964-65 AND 1965-66
COMPARED WITH 10-YEAR PERIOD, 1954-63





EPIDEMIOLOGIC NOTES AND REPORTS AMEBIASIS — Columbia, South Carolina

On June 11, 1966, a 55-year-old Negro woman died of fulminant intestinal amebiasis after a 3-week illness. She had lived in a small rural community 20 miles southeast of Columbia, South Carolina, in a three-room wood-frame house with two of her nieces and their six small children. The house had no electricity, running water, screening, or toilet facilities. Water for drinking and cooking was obtained from a well located in sandy soil behind the house. No privy was available and family members defecated in the general area of the well. The well water was also used by a family of eight living next door. The second family had a pit privy and more adequate housing.

Five of eight stool samples from the patient's family were positive for *Entameoba histolytica* and seven of the eight family members had a positive hemagglutination titer for *E. histolytica*. Four members of the neighboring family had positive stool specimens. One of the four, a 43-year-old woman, was also serologically positive. She complained of mild diarrhea and abdominal cramps of 2 years duration. No other members of either family were

symptomatic. Samples of well water were examined but no ova or cysts were found.

The Richland County Health Department recommended that a pit privy be installed and that a new well be drilled for use of both families. Those with positive stool examinations were to receive appropriate therapy.

(Reported by Dr. G. E. McDaniel, State Epidemiologist; Dr. John M. Preston, Director, Richland County Health Department; and Mrs. Lila L. Bonner, Public Health Nurse, Richland County Health Department, Columbia, South Carolina; and an EIS Officer.)

Editorial Note:

The indirect hemagglutination test is useful in the diagnosis of extra-intestinal amebiasis. It may be a useful adjunct in the differential diagnosis of intestinal amebiasis when used with appropriate sigmoidoscopic and fecal examinations. It cannot be used routinely for the diagnosis of intestinal amebiasis.

INTERNATIONAL NOTES WESTWARD SPREAD OF CHOLERA

Late in 1965 cholera, which has been spreading westward from its focus in Indonesia since 1960, extended across Iran and reached the borders of Iraq and Turkey. For the first time since the 1930's, cholera was officially reported from Iraq on August 14, 1966; as of October 1, there were 221 bacteriologically confirmed cases

with 17 deaths.* The outbreak has been confined to four northeastern provinces, including the Baghdad province. On September 26, Baghdad City and airport were declared non-infected. All isolations have been of the El Tor variety.

^{*}Preliminary data from the World Health Organization subject to revision. (Continued on page 348)

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Week No.

DEATHS IN 122 UNITED STATES CITIES FOR WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 8, 1966

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(By place of occurrence and week of filing certificate. Excludes fetal deaths)

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Area	All 65 years and 1 year Influenza All All Ages Causes		Area	All Ages	65 years and over	and Influenza All Ages	l year All Causes			
NEW ENGLAND:	784	482	51	38	SOUTH ATLANTIC:	1,123	570	39	74	
Boston, Mass	264	134	11	16	Atlanta, Ga	106	47	8	12	
Bridgeport, Conn	40	29	3	1	Baltimore, Md	300	149	5	15	
Cambridge, Mass Fall River, Mass	36 35	28 24	11 2	2	Charlotte, N. C Jacksonville, Fla	43	20	2		
Hartford, Conn	70	40	3	4	Miami, Fla	56 96	28 45	1		
Lowell, Mass	26	15	2		Norfolk, Va	46	26	1		
Lynn, Mass	22	14	-	1	Richmond, Va	70	43	100	4	
New Bedford, Mass	19	15	1		Savannah, Ga	33	11	2	Married Street	
New Haven, Conn	47	28	- 1	1	St. Petersburg, Fla	68	54	8		
Providence, R. I	72	48	7	4	Tampa, Fla	68	36	5		
Somerville, Mass Springfield, Mass	12 49	9 32	5	6	Washington, D. C Wilmington, Del	194 43	85 26	5 2	1:	
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Worcester, Mass	61	41	4	-	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:	532	282	27	29	
					Birmingham, Ala	83	49	2		
IDDLE ATLANTIC:	3,238	1,922	135	136	Chattanooga, Tenn	51	27	5	7 1113	
Albany, N. Y	56	36	A PAGE AND		Knoxville, Tenn	34	23	for suit page	20.00	
Allentown, Pa Buffalo, N. Y	28 136	15	10	1	Louisville, Ky	95	48	13	13	
Camden, N. J	136 46	80 25	10	11	Memphis, Tenn Mobile, Ala	119 36	61 17	2 2		
Elizabeth, N. J	28	16	1	1	Montgomery, Ala	33	17	2	10.	
Erie, Pa	36	21	2	3	Nashville, Tenn	81	40	i i	7	
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Newark, N. J	85	36	5	14	WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:	990	507	36	7.	
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Schenectady, N. Y	28	18	2	-	Houston, Tex	191	88	4	1:	
Scranton, Pa	37	27	3		Little Rock, Ark	43	27	2	10.00	
Syracuse, N. Y	60	33		6	New Orleans, La	174	73	7	16	
Trenton, N. J	26	18	2 3		Oklahoma City, Okla San Antonio, Tex	83	48	3		
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Akron, Ohio	74	41	-	4	MOUNTAIN:	370	208	18	18	
Canton, Ohio	46	30	5	1	Albuquerque, N. Mex	34	20	4		
Chicago, Ill	7 74	398	33	60	Colorado Springs, Colo. Denver, Colo	21	14	3	7	
Cincinnati, Ohio Cleveland, Ohio	155 215	96 109	- 4	8 20	Ogden, Utah	101 17	52 11	3	9,717	
Columbus, Ohio	127	64	6	7	Phoenix, Ariz	69	38	2		
Dayton, Ohio	96	52	4	11	Pueblo, Colo	23	16	2	150	
Detroit, Mich	375	206	11	16	Salt Lake City, Utah	64	34	2	duit	
Evansville, Ind	52	29	2	5	Tucson, Ariz	41	23	1	Cab.	
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Indianapolis, Ind	52 153	42 99	4		Glendale, Calif	25	19 17	EC 15%	-	
Madison, Wis	40	20	14 2	2	Honolulu, Hawaii	34	13	2		
Milwaukee, Wis	153	87	3		Long Beach, Calif	67	49	4		
Peoria, Ill	- 37	23		5	Los Angeles, Calif	399	246	6	2	
Rockford, Ill	41	28	2		Oakland, Calif	74	40	2	Katsi	
South Bend, Ind	23	11	2		Pasadena, Calif.*	32	23	-	72	
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Youngstown, Ohio	53	37	1	2	San Diego, Calif	93	52	2	500	
EST NORTH CENTRAL:	821	527	19	51	San Francisco, Calif	165	93	2	33	
Des Moines, Iowa	68	50	1	5	San Jose, Calif	47	32	3		
Duluth, Minn	32	23	1 1 3	1	Seattle, Wash	148	87	5	ANA	
Kansas City, Kans	24	16		2	Spokane, Wash	32	18	1	397	
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WESTWARD SPREAD OF CHOLERA

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In Iraq health authorities have given one cholera vaccination to almost the entire population and have set up special hospitals to deal exclusively with cholera cases. In Baghdad all persons with severe diarrhea are immediately hospitalized as cholera suspects, even though many of them have the common summer diarrhea.

There have been no reported cases of cholera in Turkey, Syria, Jordan or Saudi Arabia. During recent months cholera has been reported from the following countries: Burma, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam.

(Reported by the Enteric Diseases Unit, Bacterial Diseases Section, Epidemiology Branch, CDC; and from information compiled from WHO Bulletins, Nos. 34-40, 1966.)

QUARANTINE MEASURES

Travel Restrictions - Middle East

Countries in the eastern Mediterranean are imposing rigid requirements for entry even for travelers who have been vaccinated against cholera. For this reason it is suggested that travelers planning to visit these countries should conduct their business whenever possible in non-cholera areas before entering cholera infected countries. A summary of the restrictions follows:

Jordan will quarantine all arrivals from Iraq for the incubation period of the disease.

Iran, Saudi Arabia, and Turkey will not permit travelers from Iraq to enter the country. There are certain exceptions for returning citizens and residents but quarantine restrictions are applicable to them.

Lebanon denies entry to travelers who have been in Iraq, India, Burma, Thailand, South Vietnam and the Philippines the previous 10 days.

Syria will quarantine travelers with or without a valid cholera vaccination certificate for a maximum period of 48 hours.

Erratum, Vol. 15, No. 38, p. 326:

In the fourth paragraph of the article entitled "Diphtheria - South Carolina," a portion of the text was omitted. Beginning with the third sentence, the paragraph should read:

Each household contact was treated with 1,000 units of diphtheria antitoxin, a dose of diphtheria toxoid, and a 4-day course of oral penicillin. Each carrier was given 10,000 units of antitoxin and 2.4 million units of procaine penicillin each day until three consecutive throat cultures were negative. The clinically ill patients were treated with 20,000-80,000 units of antitoxin and 2.4 million units procaine penicillin per day.

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